

TOWN OF ARLINGTON



Cemetery Commission Minutes

Date: October 9, 2019
Time: 9:02am
Location: Mt. Pleasant Cemetery Chapel

Attendance: Commissioners Michele Hassler, Bill McCarthy, and Brian Hasbrouck, DPW Director, Mike Rademacher, DPW Op. Mgr., Dan Warren and Cemetery Supervisor, Jason Jones

Minutes

1. Minutes approved for September 11, 2019
2. Signed Deeds (3)
3. Dan stated that the street signs need to be laminated and will shoot for a fall installation.
4. Columbarium circle; Discussed the possibility of a doing a different color cement, maybe with aggregate. We could get a decorative drain cover and it would be ADA compliant for a bench. Expansion joints would not be needed.
5. Chapel painting; Jean will contact NE School Services to see what color they used for the window molding.
6. CPA update; BSC and SGH submitted proposals. Meeting was held to review the proposals and scoring done. SGH won the bid.
7. Stone cleaning and restoring; Kevin Duffy cleaned the columbarium and suggested that some pruning should be done. He will be submitting a bill for work done this year.
8. X field; Michele mentioned that several stones in the area could be straightened and cleaned.
9. Discussed planting greenery by the garage.

10. The Commissioners, MR, JJ, DW, all met with Tree Warden, Tim Lecuivre at 9:40am and walked the both sides of the cemetery, reviewing where to put trees, where not to put them, what trees need to be tended to or removed and what native species of trees are suggested to take the place of those that were removed this past year. It was decided that 15-20 trees will be planted in areas that were discussed in the spring as it is too late to order the trees for this fall. It was also discussed that if the Tree Warden deems a tree unfit or in need of removal, especially with concerns to safety or the spread of disease, the tree warden can notify the cemetery commission and the chair and he can use his judgement to take the tree down instead of waiting for the next commission meeting for approval, whereas at that time it might be too late. Further follow-up will occur in the spring as plantings commence. The commissioners agreed that tree replacements in the middle of fields will be considered on a case by case assessment. MR left walk through by 10:15a, JJ left by 10:30a. The meeting commenced at the end of the walk through by the Chapel at 11am.

Meeting adjourned 11:26 am
Next meeting will be November 13, 2019

Respectfully submitted
Jean Smith

Board of Cemetery Commissioners
Michele A. Hassler, Chairperson
William F. McCarthy
Brian L. Hasbrouck